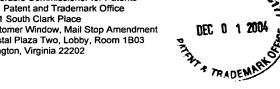
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In Re Application of: Kenji Kubomura et al. | Art Unit: 1771 |
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| Appln. No. 09/720,372 | Examiner: J. Pierce |
| Date Filed: March 9, 2001 | Washington, D.C. |
| For: FIBER-REINFORCED RESIN COMPOSITE MATERIAL HAVING REDUCED | Atty.'s Docket: KUBOMURA=1 |
| OIPE | Date: December 1, 2004 |
| Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place | Confirmation No. 2532 |

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Transmitted herewith is a [XX] RESPONSE: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS in the above-identified application.

[XX] Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

[XX] No additional fee is required.

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

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Sir:

Replying to the Office Action mailed May 28, 2004 and the Office Communication mailed November 26, 2004, for which a one-month extension of time to respond is hereby requested, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.